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BELGRADE FOR USDEL CSCE

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TAGS: PGOV, SHUM, SCE BELGRADE, AU

SUBJECT: KREISKY ON UPCOMING BELGRADE CSCE MEETING

1. AUSTRIAN PRESS OF JUNE 14 CARRIED EXCERPTS OF CHANCELLOR

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KREISKY'S INTERVIEW WITH EST GERMAN RADIO-TV (CARRIED JUNE 13) ON UPCOMING BELGRADE CSCE MEETING. MAIN POINT MADE BY KREISKY WAS THE BELGRADE GATHERING SHOULD NOT BE LIMITED TO REVIEW OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS OR DEFICIENCIES TO DATE BUT SHOULD ALSO GENERATE CONCRETE PROPOSALS FOR STRENGTHENING COOPERATION IN NEXT FEW YEARS. IN LATTER CATEGORY, KREISKY CITED AS EXAMPLES, PROPOSALS FOR HOLDING

EUROPEAN CONFERENCES ON ENERGY AND TRANSPORT WHICH,  
HE ADDED, HAD ORIGINALLY BEEN PUT FORWARD BY HIMSELF  
AT HELSINKI BUT WHOSE AUTHORSHIP HAS SOMEHOW  
SUBSEQUENTLY BECOME ASSOCIATED WITH SOVIET PARTY  
CHAIRMAN BREZHNEV.

2. ON HUMAN RIGHTS DISCUSSION, KREISKY TERMED HUMAN  
RIGHTS PRINCIPLE MOST IMPORTANT ONE OF CSCE FINAL ACT  
AND REJECTED CHARGE MADE IN SOME QUARTERS THAT TO  
SPEAK OUT ON STATUS OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN OTHER COUNTRIES  
IS TO INTERFERE IN THEIR INTERNAL AFFAIRS.

ACCORDING TO KREISKY, BASKET III COMMITMENTS OF  
HELSINKI FINAL ACT PROVIDE BASIS FOR EFFORTS WHICH  
AUSTRIA HAS UNDERTAKEN ON BEHALF OF SOVIET, ROMANIAN  
AND CZECHOSLOVAK CITIZENS WANTING TO EMIGRATE OR  
MARRY ABROAD. IN THIS CONTEXT, KREISKY QUESTIONED  
VIABILITY OF CHARGE BY SOVIET DISSIDENT MEDVEDEV  
THAT PRESIDENT CARTER'S HUMAN RIGHTS APPEALS HAVE NOT  
HELPED DISSIDENTS AND ASKED RHETORICALLY "WOULD  
SILENCE HAVE HELPED MORE?" KREISKY ALSO NOTED THAT  
HUMAN RIGHTS WERE NOT ONLY VIOLATED UNDER COMMUNISM  
BUT ALSO IN OTHER COUNTRIES, E.Q. LATIN AMERICA AND  
THAT STRUGGLE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS WAS WORLDWIDE AND  
INDIVISIBLE UNDERTAKING.

3. SOCIALIST PARTY PRESS (ARBEITER ZEITUNG) OF JUNE  
14 CARRIED SPECIAL INTERVIEW OF FOREIGN MINISTER PAHR  
WHICH FOLLOWED IN GENERAL SUBSTANCE OF KREISKY COMMENTS  
ON UPCOMING BELGRADE CSCE MEETING. TWO ADDITIONAL  
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NOTEWORTHY POINTS WERE THAT AUSTRIA, TOGETHER WITH  
OTHER NEUTRALS, WILL WORK TO PREVENT CONFRONTATION  
BETWEEN TWO BLOCS AT BELGRADE MEETING AND THAT AUSTRIA  
IS WELL PREPARED TO MEET POSSIBLE CHARGES BY EE  
COUNTRIES OF HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN AUSTRIA  
CONCERNING EMPLOYMENT OF FOREIGN WORKERS, EXERCISE OF  
SLOVENE MINORITY RIGHTS AND TREATMENT OF SOVIET JEWISH  
EMIGRES IN VIENNA (WHO, AFTER HAVING IMMIGRATED TO  
ISRAEL, RETURNED TO VIENNA AND ARE NOW TRYING TO  
OVERCOME SOVIET REFUSAL TO ALLOW THEM TO RETURN TO USSR).

4. COMMENT: NEAR-EQUAL STRESS PLACED BY KREISKY AND  
FOREIGN MINISTER PAHR ON CSCE ITEMS OF INTEREST TO  
WEST (HUMAN RIGHTS, FREEDOM OF INFORMATION) AS WELL  
AS TO EAST (EUROPEAN-WIDE CONFERENCE ON TECHNICAL  
SUBJECTS) REFLECTS ADOPTION BY GOA OF MORE MIDDLE  
STANCE GOING INTO BELGRADE CSCE MEETING. GOA CIRCLES  
ANTICIPATE ROUGH GOING AT BELGRADE AND ARE PREPARED  
TO WORK, ALONG WITH OTHER EUROPEAN NEUTRALS, TO MAKE

CONFERENCE A SUCCESS, SINCE IN GOA VIEW THERE ARE NO  
VIABLE ALTERNATIVES FOR AUSTRIA TO DETENTE. MEEHAN

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